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RES. # 24-12

01/19/12

Motion: Council Member Johansson

Second: Council Member Greco

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SARATOGA AND NORTH CREEK RAILWAY'S APPLICATION TO
THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR RE-ACTIVATION OF TAHAWUS - NORTH CREEK
RAIL LINE**

WHEREAS, Saratoga and North Creek Railway has applied to the Surface Transportation Board, (STB), for an exemption to re-activate the Tahawus-North Creek rail line; and

WHEREAS, NL Industries considered the option of the rail and tie removal in the early 1990's to salvage the scrap value and provide property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, The Towns of Newcomb and Minerva promoted a transfer of conditional ownership to the Essex County Industrial Development Agency to provide for property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the primary reasoning for the actions of the Towns of Newcomb and Minerva was the recognition of the many assets located at the Tahawus site and the possible need for rail traffic to fully realize the potential job creation by the use of those assets; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the Town of Newcomb and Minerva, the County of Essex and the surrounding Adirondack communities to utilize the assets located at Tahawus; and

WHEREAS, the North Country Regional Council Plan, recently completed, identified restoration of rail service as a major component of the region's economic health and called for the retention of all existing rail lines,

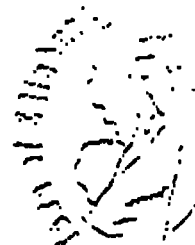
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Edinburg fully supports Saratoga and North Creek Railway's application to the STB and commits its resources to a grant of the railroad's application.

Roll Call:

Supervisor Raymond	Aye
Council Member Edwards	Absent
Council Member Greco	Aye
Council Member Johansson	Aye
Council Member Locatelli	Absent

In witness I hereby subscribe my name on January 19, 2012.


Denise Ferguson, Town Clerk



**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

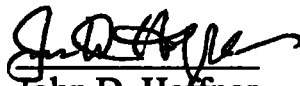
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**SARATOGA AND NORTH CREEK RAILWAY, LLC
—OPERATION EXEMPTION—
TAHAWUS LINE**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I mailed a copy of the "Support resolution of the Town of Edinburg" on behalf of Saratoga And North Creek Railway, LLC, dated January 19, 2012, in the above-captioned proceeding by first class United States Mail and/or electronic transmission to all parties on the Board's service list on February 10, 2012:



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